

SENATE BILL 2842
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11 and Title 68, Chapter 11, relative to the regulation and reporting of health and related facilities including outpatient diagnostic centers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-201, is amended by adding the following definition and renumbering the existing definitions accordingly:

“Outpatient diagnostic center” means an outpatient diagnostic center that has acquired or acquires a certificate of need under § 68-11-1607.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-202(a)(1), is amended by adding after “ambulatory surgical treatment centers” a comma and then “outpatient diagnostic centers”.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-204(a)(1), is amended by adding after “renal dialysis clinic,” the following: “outpatient diagnostic centers”.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-206(a), is amended by adding after “renal dialysis clinic,” the following: “outpatient diagnostic centers”.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-216(b), is amended by adding in subdivision (1) after “renal dialysis clinic,” the following: “outpatient diagnostic centers”, and by adding a new subdivision as follows:

(4) Excluded from payment of the fee as an outpatient diagnostic center are hospital based outpatient diagnostic centers which are included in the licensing fee of the hospital in which they are located.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-119(a), is amended: by adding in the first sentence after “(ASTC)” the following: “and each licensed outpatient diagnostic center (ODC)” by inserting after the first sentence the following sentence: “ASTCs and ODCs shall file

joint annual reports as required by the department of health.”; by inserting after each subsequent “ASTCs” the following: “and ODCs”; and by inserting after the subsequent “ASTC” the following: “and an ODC”.

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-1-119(b) and (c), is amended by deleting “Effective January 1, 2004” in subsection (b) and by inserting immediately after each “ASTC” the following: “and ODC” in subsections (b) and (c).

SECTION 8. Section 7 shall take effect on January 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it. The remaining sections of this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it